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Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated February 28, 2006, the Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the claims of Species I (figure 1), Species II (figure 4), Species III (figure 5), Species IV (figure 6), Species V (figure 7), Species VI (figure 17), Species VII (figure 20). Applicants hereby elect Species V (figure 7) for examination. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 7 and 8 read on Species V.

Applicants respectfully request formal examination of this application.


Applicants respectfully assert that no additional fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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